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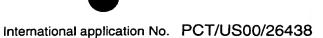
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Re Item V

Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

Reference is made to the following documents:

- D1: AVIRAM M ET AL: 'OXIDIZED LOW-DENSITY LIPOPROTEIN REDUCES PLASMA COAGULATION IN-VITRO' SCANDINAVIAN JOURNAL OF CLINICAL AND LABORATORY INVESTIGATION, vol. 51, no. 1, 1991, pages 17-22, XP000991385 ISSN: 0036-5513
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While the applicant's observations submitted with the amended claims have been considered, the previously expressed opinion is nevertheless maintained for the following reasons:

Documents D3 and D4 disclose likewise a set of reagents of oxidised and non-oxidised phospholipid reagent, see D3, Table 5 or D4 Table 4. Both documents are therefore considered to be still detrimental to the novelty and inventive step of claim 2 (Article 33(2) and (3) PCT).



Document D1 discloses a coagulation assay using LDL and Ox-LDL, see page 17 under "Materials and Methods". In view of the fact that LDL per se also contains phospholipids, the present wording of claims 1 and 2 encompass method and reagents known from D1. Therefore, D1 is still considered to be detrimental to novelty and inventive step of claims 1 and 2 (Article 33(2) and (3) PCT).

Document D5 discloses that antiphospholipid autoantibodies are directed to epitopes of oxidised phospholipids, see page 816, right column under "Determination of autoantibody titers against oxidised LDL". Document D2 discloses an assay for detecting the propensity of patients having autoantibodies. As all measures indicated in claims 3-29 appear to be derivable from documents D2 and D5, these claims are therefore considered to lack an inventive step under Article 33(3) PCT.

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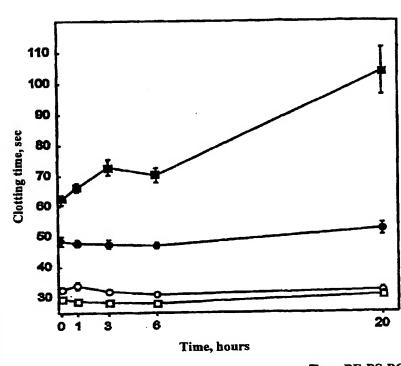
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(57) Abstract: An assay to assess thrombotic risk in which oxidized lipids comprising phospholipids are utilized as a membrane source in a clotting assay and the results compared to an assay in which unoxidized phospholipid is used as a membrane source in the presence and absence of activated protein C ("APC"). The assay can monitor for the presence of antibodies in the patient which interfere specifically with the anticoagulant function of APC in an oxidation dependent or independent manner. This can indicate the propensity of the patient to experience episodes of vein thrombosis or arterial thrombosis.

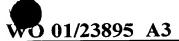
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